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Attorney Docket No. 6203.214-US

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Andersen et al.

Confirmation Number: 1429

Application No.: 10/626,053

Group Art Unit: 1651

Filed: July 24, 2003

Examiner: Saucier, Sandra

For: Meiosis activating sterol augments
implantation rate

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2006, which sets forth a requirement for a selection of species, Applicants hereby select FF-MAS, for prosecution on the merits, in the event no generic claim (e.g., claim 19 or claim 43) is finally held allowable. Claims 19, 21, and 23-43 are currently pending. Of these, claims 19, 21, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 42, and 43 read on the selected species.

Applicants respectfully submit that the elected claims are in condition for allowance. Early action to that end is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees in connection with this application and to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution and allowance of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 10, 2006

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